

Daniel Watkins I am a victim of the Las Vegas shooting. My family and my story is reported online at https://www.reviewjournal.com/.../one-familys-path....

We were located in the front of the stage to the side of Mandalay Bay. As I listened to the first volley of fire, I realized that we were all sitting ducks and there was no way to shoot back. I realize that a hand gun would not allow me to protect my family against an elevated shooter like in Vegas but I would be able to protect my family from other threats. My initial thought when the shooting started was that the shooter was on the ground level making his way through the crowd. A hand gun would certainly allow me the protect me and my family (and others) from such a threat

As a strong supporter of our Second Amendment rights I applaud you for H.R. 38, the Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2017. I drive back and forth from California to Las Vegas for work. I have yet to apply for a CCW because I would need to apply in multiple counties to avoid breaking the law in California or Nevada or both. With this law, it would make sense for me to get a license and it would help further my Second Amendment rights.

I strongly believe that our fundamental right to keep and bear arms should not end at the state line, particluarly the California State line. This legislation would ensure that law-abiding citizens such as myself do not lose the ability to protect ourselves when we travel from state to state. Currently we face a patchwork of laws that allow anti-gun states like California to harass travelers for legally exercising their constitutional rights.

Thank you again for your effort in this regard!! Even though I am not a constituent of yours, your efforts are greatly appreciated!

God Bless.

Dan

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